## FEMA Awards Almost \$2.7 Million To State of Maine for Covid-19 Response Costs

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The Federal Emergency Management Agency will be sending nearly \$2.7 million to the State of Maine to reimburse the state for purchasing personal protective equipment for state employees during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The \$2,693,872 Public Assistance grant will reimburse the Maine Department of Administrative and Financial Services for the purchase and distribution of personal protective equipment (PPE) materials such as masks to public-facing employees in other state agencies between October 2020 and July 2021.

The PPE was distributed to state agencies within the Department of Education, Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control.

"FEMA is pleased to be able to assist the State of Maine with these costs," said FEMA Region 1 Regional Administrator Lori Ehrlich. "Providing resources for our partners on the front lines of the pandemic fight is critical to their success, and to our success as a nation."

So far, FEMA has provided more than \$232 million in Public Assistance grants to Maine to reimburse the state for pandemic-related expenses.

